

been so long papered, and deservedly, that in his memory, he has confounded
the first and second trips, into one - and although he curses Mr. Danwold,
for keeping a shilling, a large amount of the money, brought from, & sent by
the Governor of Yucatan, he forgets, that it was the same Mr. Danwold he sent
on the Pilot Boat "two sons" for that money, and how utterly impossible it would
be for Mr. Clark, to know any thing of the Gov^t. of Yucatan, wanting a gun
boat, except in the way stated by Mr. Clark of his witnesses - Nor is this
the only service rendered by Mr. Clark to the Mexican Gov^t, in that hour of his
greatest need - He carried to sea Major ~~Hoban~~^{Heban} & his troops, and placed them
on board of a vessel, beyond the limits of the United States - those men formed one
battalion of Fannings men - for this he received no compensation as yet,
and perhaps never will, as Capt. Thomas Loby, as Lucas agent, has lost all the
papers - He also turned to sea Com. Moore this vessel - for this last, the
Mexican authorities have granted him a certificate - Mr. Clark was then
willing to work a deck steward in the service of Lucas - He is now poor
and Lucas rich, and he hopes justice, although long delayed, will not
now be denied him by you; but that the return mail will bring
him a certificate for the amount of his claim.

Please write me immediately

- Very respectfully Sir

I have the honor to be yr obt. servt

B.P. Paynley

Mr. Clark is now one of the Port Wardens of this city
and a very respectable citizen - Mr. Frank is still a
merchant here in business in this city & of good standing.

Capt. Cox is now at the United States Marine Hospital
esteemed by all who know him - I mention this to show that it is impossible
any mistake can exist in relation to this claim - The testimony of a dozen
men with me all to the same effect, but these are deemed sufficient. B.P.P.